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- ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.), Form 1449 (1 pg.), and copies of 5 Foreign Patent Documents.

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COMMUNICATION CONCERNING RELATED APPLICATION(S)

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related application(s)
in the above-identified patent application:

<u>Serial/Patent No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Attorney Docket</u>	<u>Title</u>
09/561551 WO-0066030A1	April 28, 2000	825.005US1	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADJUSTABLE SLING FOR TREATMENT OF URINARY STRESS INCONTINENCE
10/167563 US2002/0156342A1	June 11, 2002	825.007US2	APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INSERTING AN ADJUSTABLE IMPLANTABLE GENITOURINARY DEVICE
10/429924 US2004/0015045A1	May 5, 2003	825.006US2	APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INSERTING AN ADJUSTABLE IMPLANTABLE GENITOURINARY DEVICE

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. However, if an Office Action on the merits has been mailed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in order to have this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement considered.

The present application is either a U.S. national patent application filed after June 30, 2003 or an international application that entered the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003. Thus, Applicant believes that the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office has waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication. The waiver is provided in a pre-OG notice from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003" and dated July 11, 2003. Applicant acknowledges the requirement to submit copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2).

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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OTHER DOCUMENTS -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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Substitute Disclosure Statement Form (PTO-1449)

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